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COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT NO.

TOPIC Rengsdorf Airfield

EVALUATION

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REMARKS

SOURCE

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About 5 p.m. on 7 April 1954, four twin-engine monoplanes approached the field from the north flying along the railroad line. When the first aircraft crossed over the eastern airfield boundary, four parachutists at intervals of about 3 seconds jumped from the door on the left side of the aircraft. The parachutes became visible when the parachutists had fallen about 10 to 15 meters from the aircraft and fully opened after a further drop of 70 to 80 meters. The parachutists drifted to the west and landed in the western portion of the field. When the second plane crossed the eastern airfield boundary and released four parachutists in the described manner, the parachutists of the first aircraft were about to touch ground. Four parachutists each subsequently jumped from the two remaining aircraft. The aircraft then flew a large turn to the right and again approached from the north, releasing four parachutists each. Each of the four aircraft approached the field four times in the described way dropping a total of 16 parachutists. Source was unable to observe the landing of the parachutists. Three-axle truck [redacted] occupied by 30 air force soldiers, was observed at the field.

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[redacted] Comment. The aircraft were probably Li-2s and belonged to the detail of the transport and courier squadron stationed at Rengsdorf airfield. It could not be determined to which unit the parachutists belonged.

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